

orphans. One the head master of the Caste Girls' School in Cocanada; the second is teaching in the Leper Home at Ramachandrapuram; and the other two, whom we fear are leprous, are being supported with mission funds and are attending school in Cocanada."

#### OUR NEW LADIES.

Early in November, 1900, Misses Mary Selman and Gertrude Hulet arrived at Cocanada. Very soon after her arrival Miss Selman was stricken with fever which laid her low for many weeks. Strength, however, gradually returned and a visit to the hills completed her recovery. Since then she has been busy studying Telugu which has been a joy to her. She has taught a class of girls in the Sunday School and has gone with the native teachers to the heathen schools. All the way Miss Selman has felt the presence of the Lord.

The Conference has appointed Miss Selman to take the women's work in Vuyuru during Miss McLaurin's furlough in 1902.

Between the things one has to unlearn and the things one has to learn, Dr. Hulet has found her first year in India a very full one. When Mrs. Woodburn took charge of the Timpany School, Dr. Hulet took her class of some of the older English-speaking boys from the college. In this work she has received great blessing. Her prayer is that the Word of Truth may be received and believed by these proud, self-satisfied Brahmins. Dr. Hulet has also taught a Sunday School class in Telugu.

As Miss Hatch is expected to come home in 1902, it has been decided by Conference that Dr. Hulet shall go to Ramachandrapuram in her place.

#### TELUGU GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL.

Change, has been a marked feature of the work during the past year. Keziah having unexpectedly resigned from the teaching staff, A. Deevanamma, educated in the A. B. Training School in Nellore, was engaged in her place, and has already done good work, proving herself to have been sent of God. In November the third assistant, T. Mary, went to join her husband in Rangoon. The staff now consists of:

Head master,	M. Kesavaro,
1st Assistant,	A. Deevanamma,
2nd " "	M. Mary,
3rd " "	P. Satyavedamma,
4th " "	T. Martha.

Miss Murray writes:—"Another great change took place when Veeramma was pronounced a leper and was obliged to leave the school in which she had served for about fourteen years. This pronouncement was a great blow to her and for some months she refused to accept it, preferring to live among her heathen relatives to taking refuge in the Leper Asylum recently so providentially opened in Ramachan-

drapuram. At Christmas time, however, she came broken in spirit, sorrowfully confessing her sickness and expressing her willingness to go to R——, whither she was sent.

"Having been highly respected while among the heathen, and more especially among the Christians (she had long been a deaconess in the Cocanada Church), she has felt keenly her situation in a leper compound and her life has been unreconciled and joyless. Her disease has been making progress and recently she thought the call 'home' had come. Although the end was not so near as she anticipated and doubtless hoped, yet the bitterness has gone from her cup, the waters of Marah have been sweetened, and she is full of the joy of the Lord.

"As yet no suitable matron has been found but the girls of the Training class, namely Salome, Degala Mary, (Tuni) Ellamma, (Narsapatnam) Mungasmuri, Karunamma, (Ramachandrapuram) and Martha the teacher already referred to, have formed as it were my executive and it may please their supporters to know that they have rendered invaluable assistance in the care of the girls. Some of them have proved remarkably trustworthy and willing.

"Very few of the older girls remain in the school.

"Seelum Sarah was engaged by Miss Simpson in February to teach in the Caste Girls' School in the mornings. In the afternoon she does voluntary zenana work. She still boards in the school.

"Kolla Karunamma and Ponamalla Veeramma, (the latter a day scholar, but for a short time a boarder) have been sent to Nellore for training as teachers.

"Busi Sarah left school in December, having studied a year in the Fifth class and has since been engaged by Dr. Smith to teach a village school on the Yellamanchili field.

"Matsa Sundaramma left school in December and died most mysteriously and suddenly in her own home in March.

"Maddukuri Annamma and Bura Papamma have not returned. They help to support themselves by doing field work when it is in season, at other times Papamma especially helps Miss Hatch's Bible-woman Sarah much in her work among the women and children.

"Thooloori Esther was successful in passing the Primary Examination in December and has since left school. Others have been dismissed because of lack of industry and slowness of progress.

"Four girls have been baptized during the year. As in former years, discipline has in some cases been necessary. On the whole the health of the girls has been fairly good. Two deaths have taken place. There is reason to hope that in both cases they 'departed to be with Christ which is far better.'

"The enforcement of the rules *re fees* and clothing are affecting the attendance somewhat. However, the parents are slowly beginning to realize that the